

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

B² 4. (Amended) The composition of claim 1 further comprising a growth factor selected from the group consisting of PDGF, EGF, FGF, TGF- α , IGF-I, insulin and combinations thereof. --

Please add new claims 27-35:

27. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is formulated for topical delivery.

28. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is formulated for transdermal delivery.

29. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is a gel, a lotion, a cream, a rinse, a foam, a mousse, or a spray.

30. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises PDGF.

31. (New) The composition of claim 30, wherein the composition further comprises insulin.

B³ 32. (New) An article of manufacture comprising a composition for wound healing in a patient, wherein the composition comprises placental alkaline phosphatase and a gel-forming material.

33. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 32, further comprising instructions for using the composition for wound healing in a patient.

34. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 32, further comprising a protective carrier.

35. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 34, wherein the protective carrier is a patch. --